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**Response Due Date**  
**07/19/2013**

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00000935

REFERENCE: AMENDED 12 DAY PRE-GENERAL REPORT (10/01/2012 -  
10/17/2012), RECEIVED 02/22/2013

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 7 item(s):

1. Itemized disbursements must include a brief statement or description of why each disbursement was made. Please amend Schedule B supporting Line 21(b) of your report to clarify the following description(s): "Generic Cmte. Fundraising Svcs," "Equipment Rental/Maintenance," and "Offset For In-Kind Events." For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes of disbursement, please refer to 11 CFR 104.3(b)(3)(i).

Additional clarification regarding inadequate purposes of disbursement published in the Federal Register can be found at [http://www.fec.gov/law/policy/purposeofdisbursement/inadequate\\_purpose\\_list\\_3507.pdf](http://www.fec.gov/law/policy/purposeofdisbursement/inadequate_purpose_list_3507.pdf).

2. On Schedule B supporting Line 21(b) of your report, you have itemized disbursements for which you have failed to include the address. Please amend your report to include the missing information. (11 CFR § 104.3(b)(3))

3. Schedule B of your report discloses reimbursements to staff for apparent travel and subsistence advances in which the total amount reimbursed exceeds \$500. When the reimbursement amount to staff for travel and subsistence advances exceeds \$500, the payments by staff to any one vendor that make up

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the reimbursement may have to be itemized. For example, if the related payments to any one vendor aggregate in excess of \$200 for the calendar year, the staff advance payment to the vendor must also be itemized in a memo entry for that reimbursement. Each memo entry must include the complete name and address of the original vendor, as well as the date, amount and detailed purpose of the advance. If itemization is not necessary for a particular reimbursement to staff in excess of \$500, you must indicate so in an amendment to this report. Please amend your report to include the missing or clarifying information. See Advisory Opinion 1996-20 for additional clarification. (11 CFR § 104.9)

**4.** Schedule B of your report discloses earmarked contributions totaling \$1,000 with no corresponding entries on Schedule A. Pursuant to 11 CFR §110.6(c), all earmarked contributions, that have passed through a conduit's account, must be itemized on the receipt (Schedule A) and disbursement (Schedule B) schedules, regardless of the amount. All earmarked contributions that have been forwarded in the form of the contributor's check or written instrument must be itemized as memo entries on the receipt (Schedule A) and disbursement (Schedule B) schedules, regardless of the amount. Please identify the original contributors for the earmarked contributions disclosed on Schedule B.

**5.** Schedule B supporting Line 28(a) discloses a refund of a contribution received from "Violeta Anglo." However, it appears that this contribution was not previously reported by your committee. Please amend the appropriate reports(s) to disclose the original contribution or provide clarifying information. (2 U.S.C. § 434(b) and 11 CFR § 104.3(a) & (b))

**6.** Schedule E of your report indicates that your committee may have failed to file one or more of the required 48 hour report(s) for independent expenditures (see attached). A political committee must file a 48 hour report with the Federal Election Commission as specified in 11 CFR §104.4(b), within 48 hours of any independent expenditures aggregating \$10,000 or more with respect to a given election, made any time during the calendar year up to and including the 20th day before an election. The report must be received by the Commission by 11:59 p.m. on the second day following the date on which independent expenditures that aggregate \$10,000 or more are publicly distributed or disseminated. These expenditures must then be fully itemized on Schedule E, or as memo entries on Schedule E and reflected on Schedule D if distributed or disseminated prior to payment, of the next report required to be filed by the committee. Although the Commission may take further action concerning this matter, your prompt response will be taken into consideration. (11 CFR

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§104.3(b))

7. The limitation on making coordinated party expenditures on behalf of a House candidate in the State(s) of Arizona, California, Connecticut, Georgia, Illinois, Kentucky, Nevada, New York, and Wisconsin for the 2012 general election is \$45,600. Your reports, however, disclose coordinated party expenditures which appear to exceed the limitations under 2 U.S.C. §441a(d) (see attached).

If any apparently excessive expenditure in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information.

If you have made an excessive coordinated party expenditure, you must notify the candidate and request a refund of the amount in excess of the limitation.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund request sent to the candidate. In addition, any refunds should be disclosed on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of the report covering the period during which they are received.

Although the Commission may take further legal action concerning the excessive coordinated party expenditures, prompt action in obtaining a refund will be taken into consideration. (11 CFR §103.3(b)(1) and (3))

**Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter.** Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.**

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1164.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nicole Miller". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first name "Nicole" and last name "Miller" clearly distinguishable.

Nicole Miller  
Senior Campaign Finance Analyst  
Reports Analysis Division

Name of Payee	Date	Amount	Candidate	Election
Ralston Lapp Media, LLC	10/15/2012	\$1,368.46	Sean P. Duffy	G2012
Murphy Vogel Askew Reilly, LLC	10/8/2012	\$1,239.99	Ann Marie Buerkle	G2012
Murphy Vogel Askew Reilly, LLC	10/16/2012	\$298.00	Frank Guinta	G2012

**Excessive, Prohibited, and Impermissible Contributions**  
**Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee (C00000935)**

**Excessive Coordinated Expenditures**

Recipient Name	Date	Amount	Report
Ron Barber	3/7/2012	\$442.25	2012 April Monthly
Ron Barber	6/5/2012	\$500.00	2012 July Monthly
Ron Barber	6/11/2012	\$330.04	2012 July Monthly
Ron Barber	6/27/2012	\$628.81	2012 July Monthly
Ron Barber	7/6/2012	\$71.99	2012 August Monthly
Ron Barber	10/17/2012	\$77,780.00	2012 12 Day Pre-General
Ami Bera	10/15/2012	\$82,800.00	2012 12 Day Pre-General
Mark Takano	10/15/2012	\$70,790.00	2012 12 Day Pre-General
Elizabeth Esty	10/16/2012	\$86,200.00	2012 12 Day Pre-General
John Barrow	9/26/2012	\$41,178.00	2012 October Monthly
John Barrow	10/15/2012	\$41,197.00	2012 12 Day Pre-General
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David Michael Gill	10/16/2012	\$86,200.00	2012 12 Day Pre-General
A. B. Chandler III	10/10/2012	\$90,200.00	2012 12 Day Pre-General
Steven Alexzander Horsford	10/9/2012	\$88,028.00	2012 12 Day Pre-General
Timothy Bishop	10/12/2012	\$86,200.00	2012 12 Day Pre-General
Patrick Kreitlow	10/12/2012	\$86,200.00	2012 12 Day Pre-General